

AGENDA

CONNECTICUT STATE DENTAL COMMISSION

Wednesday, December 2, 2009 at 1:00 PM
Department of Public Health
410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT
Conference Room F – 2nd Floor.

CALL TO ORDER

I. MINUTES

Review and approval of the minutes from September 9, 2009.

II. CHAIR UPDATES

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Provisional License Application

1. Pooja Bysani, DDS
2. Aadarsh Gopalakrishna, DDS

Presented by Deborah Brown, Health Program Assistant, DPH

B. Schedule Meeting Dates for 2010

IV. LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

A. Robert Ailleo, DMD – Petition No. 2008-1030-002-075

Presentation of Consent Order – Diane Wilan, Staff Attorney, DPH

B. Victor Goldmerstein, DMD, – Petition No.2008-0423-002-026

Presentation of Consent Order – Linda Fazzina, Staff Attorney, DPH

ADJOURN

The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and which have not yet been adopted by the Board.

**CONNECTICUT STATE DENTAL COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
September 9, 2009**

The Connecticut State Dental Commission held a meeting on September 9, 2009, at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:	Jeanne P. Strathearn, DDS, Chairperson
	Lance Banwell, DDS
	Elliot S. Berman, DDS
	Peter Katz, DMD
	Lisa Liegeot
	Merrill Marks
	Steven Reiss, DDS
	Martin Ungar, DMD

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT:	Barbara Ulrich
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Dr. Strathearn called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

I. Minutes

The minutes of the May 13, 2009 meeting were reviewed and approved with corrections.

II. Chair Updates

Dr. Strathearn reported that she received an inquiry regarding whether a dentist can make and insert sleep apnea appliances and/or does this procedure require a prescription for a physician in order to make and insert the appliance. The Commission note that § 20-123 of the General Statutes states that . . . a person who is licensed to practice dentistry under this chapter, who has successfully completed a postdoctoral training program that is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation or its successor organization, in the specialty area of dentistry in which such person practices may: (1) Diagnose, evaluate, prevent or treat by surgical or other means, injuries, deformities, diseases or conditions of the hard and soft tissues of the oral and maxillofacial area, or its adjacent or associated structures; and (2) perform any of the following procedures, provided the dentist has been granted hospital privileges to perform such procedures: (A) Surgical treatment of sleep apnea involving the jaws . . .

For a general dentist, the sleep apnea would need to be diagnosed by a physician and prescription for an appliance would be necessary.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Provisional License Application

Maritsa Morales, Licensing and Applications Analyst, Department of Public Health presented a provisional license application for Laura Posada-Pacheo, DDS, to allow for practice at the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine. Following review of the application Dr. Reiss made a motion, seconded by Dr. Katz, to recommend provisional licensure for Dr. Posada-Pacheo. The motion passed unanimously.

Maritsa Morales, Licensing and Applications Analyst, Department of Public Health presented a provisional license application for I-Ping Chen, DDS to allow for practice at the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine. Following review of the application Dr. Berman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Katz, to recommend provisional licensure for Dr. Chen. The motion passed unanimously.

Maritsa Morales, Licensing and Applications Analyst, Department of Public Health presented a provisional license application for Guillermo Zapata, DDS to allow for practice at the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine. Following review of the application Dr. Reiss made a motion, seconded by Dr. Katz, to recommend provisional licensure for Dr. Zapata. The motion passed unanimously.

Maritsa Morales, Licensing and Applications Analyst, Department of Public Health presented a provisional license application for Joshua Anderson, DDS to allow for practice at the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine. Following review of the application Dr. Katz made a motion, seconded by Dr. Banwell, to recommend provisional licensure for Dr. Anderson. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Reinstatement License Application

Maritsa Morales, Licensing and Applications Analyst, Department of Public Health presented a license reinstatement application for Katherine Lindberg, DDS. Following review of the application Dr. Reiss made a motion, seconded by Mr. Marks, to recommend reinstatement of Dr. Lindberg's license provided she successfully completes a clinical skills evaluation and examination at the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine or she passes the clinical skills portion of the Northeast Regional Board Examination (NERB). The motion passed unanimously.

IV. LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

Robert Harris, DDS – Petition No. 2008-0905-002-061

David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in the matter of Robert Harris, DDS. Attorney Dawn Alderucci was present on behalf of Dr. Harris. Dr. Katz made a motion, seconded by Dr. Banwell, to approve the Consent Order, which imposes a reprimand and a \$1000.00 civil penalty. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Strathearn signed the Order.

Benjamin Schultz, DDS, – Petition No.2006-1213-002-089

David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in the matter of Benjamin Schultz, DDS. Attorney Bradley Smolkin was present on behalf of Dr. Schultz.

Dr. Ungar made a motion, seconded by Dr. Banwell, to approve the Consent Order that places Dr. Schultz's license on probation for one year. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Strathearn signed the Order.

Abbas Mohammadi, DDS – Petition Nos. 2006-0323-002-018
2006-0328-002-021
2006-1213-002-089

David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in the matter of Abbas Mohammadi, DDS. Neither respondent nor his attorney was present. Mr. Marks made a motion, seconded by Dr. Berman, to approve the Consent Order, which imposes a \$2000.00 civil penalty. The motion passed with all in favor except Dr. Strathearn who recused herself from voting in this matter. Dr. Strathearn signed the Order.

V. ADJOURN

Dr. Katz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne P. Strathearn, DDS, Chairperson
Connecticut State Dental Commission